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POSTAL REBULATORY

Commissioner Robert Taub, Chairman Commissioner Tony Hammond, Vice Chairman Commissioner Nanci Langley Commissioner Mark Acton Postal Regulatory Commission 901 New York Avenue NW, Suite 200 Washington DC 20268

RE: Docket No. RM2017-3

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of the Society of the Divine Savior and their thousands of donors, I am writing to urge you to reconsider your proposal to increase postage rates several times the rate of inflation. These increases will have a negative impact on our organization to carry out its mission and will not reform the Postal Service.

Direct mail is crucial to our work. Today, direct mail generates well over 75% percent of our income from public donations and remains the single largest source of donation income to our organization.

The Society of the Divine Savior is not able to increase our budget to keep pace with the postage increases. Any expense, such as postage, that exceeds our means will result in necessary reductions to our use of mail. Such a reduction will lead us to eventually close our doors. And that will be a loss of revenue for the Postal Service from us and the thousands of donors that would have sent mail to us.

We urge the Postal Regulatory Commission to reconsider its proposal.

Sincerely,

Linda Slosser

**Production Manager**